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NOTICES FROM THE LICK OBSERVATORY.*

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CHANGES IN THE LICK OBSERVATORY STAFF.

Mr. Harold K. Palmer, Fellow in the Lick Observatory from July 1, 1898, to July 1, 1902, received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from the University of California on May 14, 1903. Dr. Palmer holds the position of assistant in the Lick Observatory, with duties on the D. O. Mills Expedition to Chile. His thesis was on "An Application of the Crossley Reflector of the Lick Observatory to the Study of Very Faint Spectra."

Mr. Joel Stebbins, Fellow in the Lick Observatory from July 1, 1901, to July 1, 1903, received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from the University of California on May 14, 1903. His thesis was on "The Spectrum of *Omicron Ceti.*" Dr. Stebbins has been appointed Instructor in Astronomy in the University of Illinois, in charge of the observatory and department.

The two theses referred to above will be printed soon as Lick Observatory *Bulletins*.

Mr. Sebastian Albrecht of the University of Wisconsin has been appointed Fellow in the Lick Observatory for the year beginning May 1, 1903.

Mr. Elliot Smith of the University of Minnesota has been appointed assistant in the Lick Observatory on the Carnegie Institution foundation, with duties in the Meridian Circle Department.

W. W. C.

MRS. HEARST'S GIFT TO LICK OBSERVATORY.

Mrs. Phebe A. Hearst, Regent of the University of California, has generously contributed to the funds of the Lick Observatory for the present year in continuation of her contribution for the year 1902. This gift is available for improving the equipment of the observatory at various points.

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